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Notice of Allowability

Application No. 08/902,449

Applicant(s)

Examiner

Frank Vanaman Group Art Unit

Cheatham et al.

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

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★ This communication ★ This commu	ation is responsive to Amendment of April 20, 1999
★ The allowed cla	im(s) is/are <u>1, 2, 5-9, and 13-18</u>
☐ The drawings file	led on are acceptable.
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	in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
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☐ because the	originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
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	cia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official
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X Examiner's	Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Examiner's Amendment

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Jon Hokanson on June 23, 1999.

2. The application has been amended as follows: In the specification:

Page 3, line 24, "not shown" has been deleted and --W, seen in Figure 2-- inserted in its place; page 4, line 23, --B-- has been inserted between "boot" and "to"; page 5, line 28, "(not shown)" has been deleted and --B-- inserted in its place.

Drawing Changes

3. The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant: in figure 2, a boot and wheels are to be shown schematically as illustrated in the proposed correction attached hereto. In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

Claim Status

4. Claims 1, 2, 5-9, and 13-18 are pending. Claim 6 was withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected species. In view of the allowability of claim 1, claim 6 which is dependent therefrom is also allowed. Claims 1, 2, 5-9 and 13-18 are all thus allowed.

Reasons for Allowance

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record fails to teach (either taken singly or in combination) each and every limitation of applicant's independent claims. While the Monroy reference teaches an entire frame which has been extruded or coined, it fails to teach the wheel spacers as being later coined (as set forth in applicant's

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claim 1 for example) or subsequently being coined from the material forming the side pieces (as set forth in applicant's claims 13-15 and 18).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Frank Vanaman whose telephone number is (703) 308-0424. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.

Any response to this action should be mailed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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(703) 305-3597 or 305-7687 (for formal communications intended for entry; informal or draft communications may be faxed to the same number but should be clearly labeled "UNOFFICIAL" or "DRAFT")

FRANK B. VANAMAN
Patent Examiner
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Frank Vanaman June 23, 1999

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